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LOTTERY PLAYER WINS A MILLION Powerball Prize is North Dakota's Largest to Date

BISMARCK – Williston now can claim to be North Dakota's luckiest city. Kevin Green, a forklift operator with a local trucking company, struck it rich, winning \$1,000,000 playing Powerball.

Kevin plays Powerball regularly; it's the only Lottery game he plays. A couple of months ago he won \$100. It could have been more, but he didn't have Power Play. Kevin said he learned from that — since then he has always added the Power Play option. On March 15, 2006, that proved to be a very smart decision. Kevin matched 5 white balls to win \$200,000, but because he also had purchased the Power Play option, his prize was increased by that night's multiplier of 5, for a total win of \$1,000,000.

Seeming a little overwhelmed by his recent good fortune, Kevin said on March 13 he bought 25 tickets with the Power Play option at the Kum & Go #806 in Williston for the March 15th draw. On Thursday morning a co-worker commented that he had just stopped in at the Kum & Go and learned that a million dollar ticket had been sold there. That's when Kevin thought he'd better check his numbers. He took a break, grabbed the newspaper and checked his tickets one by one. The last play on the fifth and final ticket proved to be the winner. When Kevin realized he had won, he told himself to stay calm, say nothing and finish out his shift. "After all, the job's got to be done," he said. That night he called his parents and told them the good news.

After taxes, Kevin will take home \$694,600. Kevin said he will put some money aside for his retirement, use some to help out his daughter with her college expenses and then take care of his parents and siblings. He plans to keep working.

The Kum & Go will receive a \$5,000 retailer bonus.

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